IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below.

- 1. (Cancelled).
- 2. (Currently Amended) A pyrene based compound according to the following formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_4
 X_5

wherein Z_1 represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and Z_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein one of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein X_1 through X_6 independently represent hydrogen atoms, deuterium atoms, alkyl groups or aryl groups, and at least one of X_1 through X_6 represents a tert-butyl group;

wherein at least one of X_1 through X_6 , Y_1 , Y_2 , Z_1 , and Z_2 represents a deuterium atom; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a hole injection chromophore, an electron injection chromophore, or both.

3. (Currently Amended) A pyrene based compound according to the following formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_2
 X_4

wherein Z_1 represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and Z_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein one of Y₁ and Y₂ represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group,

substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom; wherein X_1 through X_6 independently represent hydrogen atoms, deuterium atoms, alkyl groups or aryl groups, and at least one of X_1 through X_6 represents a tert-butyl group;

wherein at least one of X_1 through X_6 , Y_1 , Y_2 , Z_1 , and Z_2 represents a deuterium atom; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a cross-linking group.

- 4. (Currently Amended) The compound of Claim 3, wherein the cross-linking group comprises a di-vinyl group.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A pyrene based compound according to the following formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 Z_1
 Z_2
 Z_2

wherein Z₁ represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or

unsubstituted heteroaryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and Z_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein one of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a substituted aryl group, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein X_1 through X_6 independently represent hydrogen atoms, deuterium atoms, alkyl groups or aryl groups, and at least one of X_1 through X_6 represents a tert-butyl group;

wherein at least one of X_1 through X_6 , Y_1 , Y_2 , Z_1 , and Z_2 represents a deuterium atom; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a benzene ring substituted with one or two pyrenyl groups.

- 6. (Cancelled).
- 7. (Cancelled).
- 8. (Currently Amended) A pyrene based compound according to the following formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_6
 X_4

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_4
 X_5
 X_4

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_6
 X_4

 $\frac{\text{wherein } X_{1,} X_{3,} X_{4} \text{ and } X_{6} \text{ independently represent deuterium atoms, and } X_{2}}{\text{and } X_{5} \text{ independently represent tert-butyl groups; and}}$

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_1
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_4

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_4
 X_6

wherein Z_1 represents a substituted aryl amine group, and Z_2 represents a hydrogen atom;

wherein one of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a substituted aryl group, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen atom;

 $\underline{\text{wherein } X_{1,} X_{3} \text{ and } X_{6} \text{ independently represent hydrogen atoms, } X_{2} \text{ and } X_{5}}$ $\underline{\text{independently represent tert-butyl groups and } X_{4} \text{ represents a deuterium atom; and}}$

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure.

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_4
 X_6
 X_4

wherein Z₁ and Z₂ independently represent hydrogen atoms;

wherein one of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a substituted aryl group and substituted heteroaryl group combination, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen atom;

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_6
 X_4

 $\frac{\text{wherein } X_1, X_3, X_4 \text{ and } X_6 \text{ independently represent deuterium atoms, and } X_2}{\text{and } X_5 \text{ independently represent tert-butyl groups; and}}$

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_4
 X_5
 X_6
 X_4

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

16. (Currently Amended)) <u>A pyrene based compound according to</u> the following formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_4
 X_5

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wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1, wherein the compound has the following structure:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 Y_1
 Y_2
 X_6
 X_4

wherein X_1 , X_3 , X_4 and X_6 independently represent deuterium atoms, and X_2 and X_5 independently represent tert-butyl groups; and

The compound of Claim 1; wherein the compound has the following structure:

18. (Currently Amended) An organic light emitting device comprising an anode, a cathode and at least one organic layer sandwiched between the anode and the cathode, wherein the organic layer comprises a pyrene based compound of the following general formula:

$$X_1$$
 X_2
 X_3
 X_4
 X_4
 X_5

wherein Z_1 represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and Z_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein one of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen atom, deuterium atom, oxygen atom, silicon atom, selenium atom, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, substituted or unsubstituted aryl amine or a combination thereof, and the other of Y_1 and Y_2 represents a hydrogen or deuterium atom;

wherein X_1 through X_6 independently represent hydrogen atoms, deuterium atoms, alkyl groups or aryl groups, and at least one of X_1 through X_6 represents a bulky alkyl group or bulky aryl tert-butyl group; and

wherein at least one of X_1 through X_6 , Y_1 , Y_2 , Z_1 , and Z_2 represents a deuterium atom.

- 19. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the organic layer is an emissive layer, a hole transport layer, an electron transport layer or combinations thereof.
- 20. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound serves as a host material of said organic layer.
- 21. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound serves as a dopant of said organic layer.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a hole injection chromophore, an electron injection chromophore, or both.

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- 23. (Currently Amended) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a cross-linking group.
- 24. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 23, wherein the cross-linking group comprises a di-vinyl group.
- 25. (Currently Amended) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein $Z_1[[,]]$ and one of Y_1 and Y_2 independently represent a benzene ring substituted with one or two pyrenyl groups.
 - 26. (Cancelled).
 - 27. (Cancelled).
- 28. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound has the following structure:

- 29. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the compound has the following structure:
- 30. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound has the following structure:

33. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound has the following structure:

37. (Original) The organic light emitting device of Claim 18, wherein the pyrene based compound has the following structure:

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